

Section 23 of Article II (sic) at risk. So, I'll continue to listen. I do not like the Secretary of State injected into the judicial system, the court system. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Senator Witek.

SENATOR WITEK: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, Chapter 84, Article V, Secretary of State, lists all of his constitutional provisions: The boards, and commissions, and committees; county officers; duties with respect to ag associations; beverage containers; constitutional amendments; constitutional conventions; corporations; depository of state; elections; formation of new counties; Legislature; livestock brands; Natural Resources Commission; notary public; official bonds and oaths; parking authority; public power districts; reclamation district director; rules of agencies; session laws; session law; State Real Estate Commission; taxes, equalization, occupation tax; telegraph company; trademarks; and weather control districts; fees; and salaries. Who tells the Secretary of State what to do in all those duties? It is in statute, right there. We also have a whole list of the Secretary of State's duties in different statutes: Administrative Procedural Act; appropriations; Business Corporation Act; Campaign Finance Limitation Act; constitutional provisions; contested cases; deputies; dual offices duties; election; eminent domain; fees; forms management programs; Legislative Program Evaluation; Limited Liability Company Prompt Payment Act; Recycling Program Management Act; relocation assistance, state government; Recycling Management Act; state-owned motor vehicles; term limits; vacancies; volunteers. Who tells him what to do with all of those duties that he has? This is so bogus on this Secretary of State's stuff, I don't know why we are focusing on that. It is one line in this statute that we are trying... in this bill here that we are trying to pass. It talks that the Secretary of State has to issue a written notice. He is the one that signs the execution date. He is not the one who decides what that date should be and we are saying that he is also going to be the one to issue a written notice to the warden. This is all smoke that Senator Chambers is trying to bring into this because he does not want to make this policy change. Senator Chambers does not want to admit that he wants to expedite the death penalty. That is what he is trying to do. He is trying to slow this down, this was his first choice of things to pick on in this amendment and in this bill. He does not want to expedite the death penalty. That is the bottom line here,